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J. J. JOHNSTON FINDS MISSING BRADFORD BOY

After spending most of the day yesterday and all last night in the wilds near Simpson, during which time he was searched for by 150 oil men from leases in Aiken, Simpson and Davis City, little Charles Wheeler, aged between 6 and 7 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wheeler of Railroad street, Bradford, was located at about 1 o'clock this afternoon. He had wandered to the main road lying between Aiken and Rew City and picked up by by J. J. Johnston of this place and taken as far as the home of T. H. Walker at Rew City.

Mr. Johnston had known of the boy being lost, and had watched all the roads leading off from the main road into the woods. When he saw the sleeping child, he at once telephoned the good news to Simpson.

Mr. Wheeler and others left at once for Rew, found that the boy was the lost lad and took him back to Simpson to the waiting arms of his stricken mother.

Although all of the facts are not yet known in town concerning the finding of the boy, it is known that he was in the dense forest all night and it is believed that he followed the pipe line to the road where he was picked up by Mr. Johnston. The experience was a harrowing one for a small child—indeed it would be terrifying for an adult—for it is a well known fact that bears abound in these woods in which Charles Wheeler was lost. Even if there were no bears, the night would be terrible for a mere child who would imagine all sorts of things in the dark.

When it was learned over the telephone at Simpson Monday that the boy was really the Wheeler child, the whistle on the Associated Producers leases at Simpson was blown as a signal to the searchers that the lost was found, this signal having been decided upon before the men went to the woods to look for the missing child.

It was feared all day Sunday, that the boy who went berrying Saturday morning about 11 o'clock south of Simpson, must surely be dead in the dense forest that surrounds the Simpson homes but fortunately such was not the case, and the lad is now with his loved ones who have been distracted ever since.

Little Charles went to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Leo Irish, at Simpson in company with his mother, for a visit. In the morning it is understood he and Mrs. Irish went berrying but as Mrs. Irish became tired they soon went back to the house. The little boy said he would get some berries for his aunt, who was tired and taking his pail went to the woods to find his aunt, but the boy's father told the police that the boy went alone to get berries for the aunt.

His mother and aunt became alarmed when they found that he had really gone to the woods and gave the alarm when he did not return. All night oil men from leases far and wide combed the woods but found no trace.

The Bradford police received a telephone call from Simpson asking them to get blood hounds to help along the search but there are none nearer than Pittsburgh.

An airdale was used to hunt for the boy's trail but the animal failed to make good on the hunt.

BOYS BACK FROM CAMP.

The eight boys who spent the latter part of June and the month of July at the Citizens Training Camps returned home last week.

Six of the young men were enrolled at Camp Mead, Baltimore, the remaining at Fort Monroe, Virginia. These camps are maintained by the government and their object is to instill into the minds of young Americans the importance of preparedness, and the patriotic love of country.

While the camp routine is arduous and sometimes irksome yet the training and influence is of the best. Much time is given to recreation and sports of all kinds. And the life is not entirely toil because many boys who enlisted last year reenlisted for this year and will likely do so when the time comes again.

While at Camp many of the boys were fortunate enough to be able to see the national capital and other points of national and historic interest.

NEW BUS ON LATHAM LINE

Bus No. 7 of the Latham Bus Line was turned out Wednesday morning, equipped with a new chassis, newly painted and rebuilt and in first class condition. No. 7 is the smallest bus of those owned by the Latham Bus Line. Their new freight car will be on the road between here and Bradford about August 10th.

Buses 4 and 6 were turned in Wednesday for repairs and a general overhauling. They will not leave the shop until they are thoroughly overhauled. The new Bus schedule will be printed in the Miner and Democrat next week, or as soon as the road is open.

DIRECTORS VOTE TO HAVE NIGHT FAIR

At a meeting of the fair directors held Monday evening in the office of H. J. Rice it was voted to hold a night fair this year. The grounds will be electrically lighted, the midway will run and everything will be done to attract the evening crowds. This is an innovation which should be a great success. An added attraction of this year's program is the two county races.

The auto dealers will have a large tent where a fine line of 1924 models will be on display.

PAVEMENT DANCE ON MAIN STREET IN FRONT OF COURT HOUSE, AUG 7.

The opening of the new highway between Bradford and Smethport which takes place next Tuesday, August 7th, will be fittingly celebrated on the evening of that day with a pavement dance in front of the Court House. Lesser H. Cohen of Bradford, who is taking charge is in town today making arrangement for the occasion. It is hoped to make this affair one of the largest ever held in this city. The citizens band of Bradford has been engaged to furnish the music. An invitation is extended to the neighbors of nearby towns to attend and help to make this a grand success. The proceeds will be donated to the McKean County Children's Home.

AUTO DEALERS HOLD MEETING HERE.

The McKean County Automobile Dealers Association held a meeting Tuesday evening, when plans for future activities of the newly formed organization were discussed. All members of the Bradford dealers' association, who are also members of the county organization, attended the sessin.

A dinner at which twenty-one representatives were present was served in the dinning room of the Grand Central at 6 o'clock. Mr. C. A. Dreffus of Harrisburg, secretary o fthe State Association was the guest of honor. After the dinner the meeting adjourned to Holder's Hall where the business sesson was held. It was at this meeting that secretary Dreffus delivered his splendid address. The following dealers were enrolled as members by their representatives who attended the meeting: C. L. White Motor Co., Kane Garage, Rew Garage Co. Smethport Garage, F. E. Shields, General Garage Co., Scherer and Cameron, James Quirk, Anderson & Thomas.

Several of the dealers expect to attend next month's state meeting which will be held at Erie August 13th and 14th.

CAR AND TELEPHONE POLE COLLIDE.

Saturday morning at 1:00 o'clock, a five passenger Lexington, car driven by a man who gave his name as Vashinder of Dallas City, ran into a telephone pole on the corner of Main and Union streets. The radiator was broken and the car was otherwise seriously damaged. The driver escaped and suffered only from shock. He left town quickly and his car, or what remained of the car was purchased by three local chaps who have put it into working commission. Ownership of the car is as yet an unsettled question.

BRADNER'S MILL REMNANT SALE.

The 43rd semi-annual Emory Mill Remnant Sale opens at Bradner's of Olean, N. Y., on Thursday, August 9th. Look for the green tickets.

METHODISTS HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC.

Cars passed through the town, Wednesday morning at 11:00 o'clock bearing crowds of excited kiddies to Galco Park where the annual picnic was held by the Methodists. The women of the church served a delightful picnic dinner at noon. The afternoon program as arranged by P. S. Crossman's class, was filled with surprises.

Although the weather looked quite dubious in the morning, the sun appeared shortly afternoon and everybody had a good time. There were between 150 and 200 present.

H. J. RICE RECEIVES APPOINTMENT.

H. J. Rice has been appointed as agent for the Pennsylvania-Maryland Joint Stock Bank of which Ex-Secretary of Agriculture, Rasmussen is president.

Mr. Rice is also agent for the Pennsylvania Joint Land Bank and the Ohio Joint Land Bank. Mr. Rice is one of Smethports most capable men, and this latest appointment is an added confirmation of his ability.

McKEAN COUNTY IN LINE FOR ITS SHARE OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

The program of improved highway construction for 1923-1924 as announced recently by secretary P. D. Wright, indicates that McKean County will come in for its share.

The feature of the schedule which will be of interest to citizens of McKean county and especially to those of Smethport is that Route 95 northeasterly from Mt. Jewett towards Smethport will be built. This together with the eight miles from Mt. Jewett to Kasson if the latter is completed, will be as much as McKean county can expect from the available funds.

275 miles of durable highway will be constructed. Only $15,000,000 is available for road building and this 275 miles program will exhaust this fund. Further construction will be made possible if the voters approve the $50,000,000 bond issue in November. A small amount of the $50,000,000 bond issue of 1918 is left and available for highway construction.

This program was arranged after careful examination of the relative needs and merrits of the individual case, an deonsideration for the distribution of previous construction; the entire cost is to be done by the Commonwealth.

INDEPENDENTS SCORE VICTORY OVER THE GALETONITES

Last Sunday the Smethport Independents defeated Galeton on their home field. It is hoped that this victory marks a turning point in the fortunes of the Independents.

Next Sunday Smethport will play Mt. Jewett here. The Mt. Jewett team has been reorganized and strengthened and this game promises to be a good one.

The Independents have arranged an interesting series of games between Port Allegany and Smethport.

Four games constitute the series starting August 12th with the first one, and continuing to September 2nd. The first and third games to be played here and the second and fourth at Port Allegany.

Strength has been added to the Smethport team in the form of the old vet Herman Tull, his presence on the team lends confidence to the players and interest to the spectators.

MRS. LYNN BOOTH SCALDED.

Mrs. Lynn Booth who lives at the Stoddard place nar Herzog corners was badly scalded Monday, when lifting a boiler of hot water from the stove. She was taken at once to the Bradford hospital where she is being cared for at present Mr. Booth has recently been discharged from the Bradford hospital where he was confined after an operation for appendicitis. The Booth family, unfortunately is a living example of the old trite adage "It never rains but it pours."

WATER STILL LOW.

W. P. Walsh requests that the former order in regard to the careful use of water be still carried out as there is a shortage of water, the recent rain having been insufficient to supply the demand.

PRESIDENT WARREN G. HARDING DEAD.

Death Came Suddenly at Presidential Headquarters at SanFrancisco.

The nation is shocked by news of the chief Executive's death, which followed assurances of improvement. President Harding died instaneous at 7:30 Thursday evening, as his wife was reading to him. Doctors attribute death to apoplexy which struck him down after a week's illness. Only his wife and nurses were present when the end came.

I. E. BAILEY BUYS ELLSWORTH GROCERY.

I. E. Bailey of Betula has purchased the grocery store owned by H. J. Ellsworth, both the building and the stock and as soon as he disposes of his business at Betula, will begin his work here. Mr. Bailey is a successful business man, and will conduct an up to date grocery store. Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth will occupy the building they recently purchased from Mrs. Claire White, as a residence.

COMMODIOUS ADDITION TO HOLMES & GILFILLAN PLANT NEAR COMPLETION.

The addition to the Holmes & Gilfillan company's plant which is being erected on the corner of Mechanic and Water streets, is nearing completion. The building is a two story wooden structure modernly built and equipped. On the Main floor there will be four offices, a storage room and Mr. Gilfillan's bachelor quarters.

The second story is for the time being to be used exclusively for storage space.

A hot water heating system and electric lighting system have been installed. The construction has been under the supervision of Ray Abbey and will be completed about September first.

HOLD REUNION AT SIZERVILLE

The Ryan family held its annual reunion and picnic at Sizerville on Sunday. The family was well represented at this event about thirty members being present. An enjoyable picnic dinner was served at Sizerville then the party motored to St. Marys to the Community picnic ground and swimming pool, and supper was served on the Community grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ryan and family of St. Marys, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morrison and son, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morrison, all of Emporium, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hadley of Renovo, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Patterson and daughter of Pittsburgh, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gifford of Chicago, Miss Kate Ryan of Kane, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Yendon, and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gleason of Smethport, and Agnes Ryan of Bradford, attended the outing.

TWO MEN NEAR DEATH; AUTO OVERTURNED.

Two Westline men, whose names could not be learned, narrowly escaped serious injury or death, late last night, when a new Overland touring car, turned over into a creek a short distance this side of Wetmore. The men arrived in Kane early last evening and had gone to Ludlow, and were on their way back when the accident occurred. The bridge is located at a sharp turn in the road and the car was traveling too fast to make the turn and when they came upon the bridge the auto plunged into the creek from the right side.

Although the top was crushed in, the windshield was broken and the frame bent over the steering wheel, with the front end stoved in, and the rear right wheel smashed, the men escaped injury. They stated that it happened so quickly they could hardly account for it, but that they were both fortunate in not being pinned under the car. The men walked to Kane and left word at the Kane Garage to get the car this morning. In the meantime someone had stolen a rim and tire. The auto was towed in this forenoon for repairs.—Republican July 27.

NOTICE.

The Smethport Water Co. requests consumers to have all leaks repaired, not sprinkle lawns, or gardns or wash automobiles and save water in every possible way.

SMETHPORT WATER CO.

IRONS-FIELDS.

Miss Maude Irons has issued invitations for the marriage of her brother, Geo. Irons, Jr., to Anna C. Fields, the wedding to take place August 9th at 12 o'clock, noon, at Miss Irons' home "The Elms."

GASPER-MEECHAM.

At St. Luke's church, Monday morning at 9 o'clock in the presence of the immediate families occurred the marriage of Robert O. Gasper of Olean, N. Y., and Jemima Meecham, daughter of Dr. George P. Meecham of Eldred, Pa., Rev. W. E. VanDyke officiating.

JUNIORS SCOUTS LEAVE WEDNESDAY FOR ALLEGANY STATE PARK.

The Junior Boy Scouts under the direction of Gene Engstrom, left Wednesday morning for Allegany State Park, where they will spend a few days camping. The names of the members of the troup are; Rogers Green, Pierre Allison, Joe Masser Henry Botsford, Clinton Studholme, Allan Taylor Studholme, Joe Gray Studholme, Edmund Hungiville, James Hockenbery, Orlo McCoy, Wm. Backus, Claude and Jerry Denning.

300 RETURNED TO WORK IN MT. JEWETT FACTORY.

KANE, Pa., July 26.—The large window glass factory of the Interstate Glass company at Mt. Jewett, 12 miles from here will be placed in operation next Monday, after a year's shutdown. Three hundred skilled workmen will be employed and it is expected that the plant will remain in operation for a year. Since the shutdown last summer, the plant has been practically rebuilt and is now considered one of the best equipped in the country. Improved machines for blowing glass have been installed and the output of the plant will be tremendous compared to its former capacity. This is Mt. Jewett's leading industry and notice of its resumption has caused a building boom of considerable proportion in that village.

STORM DOES MUCH DAMAGE IN WARREN CO.

A terrific storm passed over Warren and vicinity Monday evening between six and eight o'clock. The storm followed a wide path and wrought severe damages on all sides. The most serious damage happened at Damn Run between Spring Creek and Corry where about 800 feet of Pennsy roadbed was washed away. All the evening east and west bound trains did not arrive in Warren until Tuesday morning.

Automobile parties enroute to Warren from Chautauqua Lake experienced thrills which they will not soon forget. Many cars were forced to pass over roads covered with water which reached the hubs.

Lightning did some damage along the outskirts principally at Marshtown near Russell, a barn was destroyed, a quaintity of hay and farm implements ruined by lightning.

One of the barns on the farm was used as living quarters by a woman and two children who are with the Penna Highway, and this along with their clothing and household furnishings were entirely destroyed.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The last quarterly conference of the year will be held in the United Brethren church at Farmers Valley on Friday evening at 7:45, p. m. the conference superintendent, Rev. R. S. Showers officiating.

At this meeting the delegate to the annual conference will be elected and other important business transacted. Coryville, Farmers Valley and East Smethport churches should all be well represented at this meeting.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, August 5. Morning worship, 10:30; The Rev. H. H. Witham, District Superintendent of the Olean district, will preach at this service. Rev. Witham is sure to bring a worthwhile message, and a large attendance is desired. Church school, 11:45. There will be no evening service.

LOST.

Between Smethport and Bullis Mills, a boy's coat. Finder notify Smethport Laundry. advlt

C. A. ANDERSON OF COLEGROVE COMPLETES HIS 40 YEARS SERVICE AS POSTMASTER AND MERCHANT

On August 1st C. A. Anderson of Colegrove, rounded out his 40 years as postmaster and merchant in that place. During that time Mr. Anderson has seen a great many changes take place both in Colegrove and around the county.

Forty years ago the great forest of virgin timber were filled with an abundance of game and wild animals were frequently seen.

The McKean and Buffalo railroad from Clermont to Larabee, later taken over by the Pennsylvania, was built during the first year of his residence there, the pipe line has also been built.

Within the past ten years the lumbering operations by the Goodyear company at Norwich have been carried on, that town has been built and served its purpose and passed out of existence. Betula has also been built because of the men needed in running the Keystone Chemical Factory and the Barrel Stave factory. These in turn have ended their usefulness, and a great many of the houses have been sold and moved to other points.

Mr. Anderson has been a capable and efficient public servant, not many in the county have such a splendid record. His friends are numbered by the score.

The Smethport Girl Scouts who have been spending two weeks at Camp Mason, Dewittville, N. Y., broke camp Monday morning and returned home that afternoon after having spent a most enjoyable two weeks. Those in the party were the Misses Janet Redfield, Ada Studholme, Harriet Wiant, Katherine Pomeroy, Jane Van Dyke, Mary McCoy, Nellie Carlson, Clarissa Backus, Eleanor Hammar, Jean Hammer Thelma Karlen, Catherine Curran, Julia Belle Gallup and Phillis Gillette.

The Ostrander Reunion will be held August 9th at Galco Park, from 10 a. m. to 12 p. m. The friends of the family are invited to dance which will be held in the evening.

The Bucktail Post will hold a meeting next Monday.

Mrs. T. H. Purtle attended the Circus in Kane, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hopper were Olean shppers Saturday.

A kitchen shower was given at the home of Mrs. A. L. Provin East Smethport on Thursday Evening July 26th for Miss Edith Churchley Bride elect of Berkley University California.

Miss Ruth Walker, Miss Eva Hoffman Mr. Leon Comes and Mr. Roy Engstrom were in Kane, Friday, where they took in the circus.

Mrs. H. L. Backus entertained the Auction Bridge club at her home on East Main street, Saturday afternoon.

H. J. Rice visited Segertown, Tuesday in the interest of the land bank. He reported a serious rain storm had played havoc with the roads in that vicinity, several barns had been struck by lightning and burned.

Judge Joseph W. Bouton has filed a petition for the nomination to the Court of Common Pleas. Judge Bouton has had a long and honorable career on the bench in this county and has much more than a local reputation as a jurist. His opinions on legal questions have been sought in other judicial districts and he is regarded as one of the strongest men of the bench in this state. It is probable that Judge Bouton will be given a clear field in recognition of his ability and past services.

Rev. A. L. Pang and Carl Parker of Farmers Valley returned Friday afternoon from Friendship, N. Y. where they had been attending the Erie conference Summer Bible School for a few days.

The next S. S. and C. E. Rally of the Port Allegany District, will be held at Coryville soon. Plan to be there. The program will appear soon, the committee having met on Monday to prepare the same.

Miss Dorothy Barber of New Castle is a guest of Miss Katherine Pomeroy this week.

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LARABEE

W. B. Connell of State College and P. S. Crossman of Smethport were business visitors in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Nichols motored to Roulette Tuesday evening and were guests at the home of the former's son De Alton Nichols.

Henry Lawton, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lawton while playing beside the road in front of his home Sunday afternoon met with a very painful accident. A car, occupied by two men and a driver carelessly, struck the child, bruising his head and loosing two teeth, but did not injure him seriously, although the bruises were very painful.

They took the child and his mother to Eldred where he received treatment from Dr. G. P. Meecham.

The men anxiously awaited the opportune moment when they might might make their escape which they thought had come while Mrs. Lawton was in the doctor's office so they quietly left town, thinking that they were unobserved, but someone had procured the license number and the guilty parties may be followed up. The child is now convalescing nicely and a speedy recovery is insured.

Frank McGill of Oil City, Craig Dunn and family of Coryville called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vird Dennis Monday evening.

Miss Josephine Gerrity of Buffalo is a guest at the home of her mother Mrs. Katherine Gerrity of Barden Brook.

Paul and Lillian Stickle, who have been visiting relatives in Decateur, Illinois, returned home Thursday. J. T. Haynes went to Buffalo Wednesday night and returned home with them on Thursday.

Mrs. A. L. Dawley entertained Wednesday at dinner Miss Alice Daley and Miss Mary Keenan of Olean.

Miss Lena Garfinkle of Bradford and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reed of Eldred were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vird Dennis Wednesday, en-route to the swimming pool at Coryville. Mrs. Dennis accompanied them there.

Mrs. Eugene Haynes was called to Rew City Monday by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. David Arnot.

Thomas McAuliffe of Wisconsin is a guest at the home of Michael McAuliffe and J. E. Brooder.

Charles Ackermann of Buffalo is a guest of his sister, Mrs. E. C. Hubbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Vird Dennis and son Richard called on Mr. and Mrs. George Ault of Indian Creek Thursday.

George McKelvey and son Gerard, and daughter, Lucile, motored to West Clarksville Sunday and and visited the former's mother, Mrs. Martha McKelvey.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bement and George, Jr., and Mrs. Chester Prouty and son, Theodore, motored to Dunkirk Sunday. Mrs. Chester Prouty, Jr., of Dunkirk returned home with them and will visit relatives here a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Norton of Duke Center, Mrs. Cassins Brazee and daughter, Marjorie, of Bullis Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kerr and two children of Franklinville N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Clement of Jamestown, N. Y. called on Mr. and Mrs. Vird Dennis Sunday evening.

ORMSBY

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Parsons and family were Port Allegany visitors Sunday evening.

Donald Fee who has been visiting his uncle B. F. Fee, returned on the first of the week to his home in Akron, O.

Miss Harriet Brown, R. N., who has been spending her vacation at her home here returned on Monday to Jamestown.

B. J. Wood returned home on the first of the week from the Kentucky Oil field where he had been transacting business.

Miss Virginia and Helen Smarthers of Bradford are the guests of Mrs. B. J. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Eberts, on the first of the week for Van Wert, O., where they expect to spend their vacation. They made the trip by auto.

B. F. Fee is sporting a new Ford

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill of Mt. Jewett visited relatives here Sunday here Sunday.

A number of local citizens joined in the search for Charles Wheeler of Bradford who was lost in the wilderness around Simpson on Sunday and Monday. Everyone breathed easier when it was learned that the little chap had been found and returned to his mother.

C. R. Warner was on the sick list the first of the week.

Rev. and Mrs. B. E. Nordgren of Lowell, Mass., are the guests of Mrs. Nordgrens mother, Mrs. Johnson.

Misses Marie and Elma Grant who have been visiting friends in Ludlow came home on Sunday evening.

TURTLE POINT

Seems good to have a change in the weather. Also the nice rain we had Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Taylor and Mrs. T. F. Hughes, attended the funeral of their cousin, John C. Stull at Stulltown.

Mr. Owen and Son Allen was over from East Smethport fishing in the coye on the Flats last Saturday, but had no luck.

Jerome Taylor from Olean was in Turtle Point over Sunday a week ago.

Miss Ella McGill is staying with her grandparents at night for a month at Port Allegany as her aunt Mary is away to school for a four months' term.

Mr. Ernest Lindsey was home with his family over Sunday.

Mr. Lamtgreen an employee for Sears Roebuck at Philadelphia is visiting his people at this place on his vacation.

Mrs. Francis Mullin seems to be busy with her chickens as usual.

Mart Simpson has his horse barn moved and is now building a large granary. one won't know the old Simpson farm if its keeps improving.

McCarey and King shipped a load of cattle from this place last week.

Mr. Guyers from Genessee Forks shipped a load of cattle off Annin Creek last week.

Frank Schaner and wife passed through this place Sunday a. m. enroute for Red House for a few days stay with his people.

Miss Sophia Mullin who has been visiting his father and brother of this place has returned to her work in Buffalo.

Mr. Eugene Sullivan of Rock Run and Mr. Rouin of Buffalo were callers at John Kirkman's last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Homer Freer and family motored to Port Allegany last Sunday afternoon.

Several people from here attended the dance at Coleville last Friday evening.

Miss Genevieve Taylor was home from Eldred over Sunday.

Mrs. John Kirkman was calling on Mrs. Steve Murphy and Mrs. John Carlson last Saturday.

Mr. Guyan of Little Genesee was in town last week buying cattle, pigs, and sheep.

Several from this place attended the dance at Chas Saffords last Wednesday evening all report a good time.

Mr. H. A. Murphy and Jas Dunn Sr. motored to Salamanca last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkman and daughter, Marie were calling on friends in this place Saturday.

It seemed that nearly everyone was out joy riding Sunday by the autos that passed this place.

SALAMANCA HAS TOPIC FOR TALK ON RECENT FIRE

Salamancaa, July 28—The aftermath of the big fire on Saturday last is bringing out many versions of what might have been and what should have been. Mayor McCann is being censured by his political opponents and others, owing to the showing made by the newly organization paid fire department. It is asserted that the old volunteer fire department could have handled the fire quite successfully.

A statement printed in a Buffalo newspaper was to the effect that that Mayor McCann had not refused assistance of the former volunteer firemen when the town was threatened with destruction. Robert Miess prints a statement that there was a refusal by the mayor of help from the volunteer firemen. So the controversy stands.

Meanwhile the fact is appreciated by all citizens that the firemen who came here to help from Bradford, Olean and Jamestown (paid organizations) and volunteer fire fighters from Ellicottville, Little Valley, Cattaraugus and Randolph, rendered excellent service. Fire Chief Henderson, of Bradford and his men deserve much credit and this is given them without stint.

RUMORS ARE FALSE

This is mentioned now because of foolish rumors in circulation here and at Bradford and elsewhere that there was a serious disagreement between Mayor McCann and Chief Henderson. This talk is all false. Chief Henderson did not meet the mayor until the conflagration was practically under control. There was no altercation between them. This is true also regarding all the firemen from out of town and the people and town officials of Salamaca. How the stories were started is difficult to ascertain.

The total damage as figured carefully from itemized losses, is about $750,000.

At a special meeting of the common council this week various plans were discussed for safeguarding Salamanca property against future fire. A separate board of fire commissioners was appointed to take action as may be necessary.

TO PUT UP PRESERVES IN THERMOS BOTTLES.

Coudersport, July 28.—The Roland Manufacturing corporation of Buffalo, has closed a deal for the purchase of the Roulette Glass company property in Roulette, which they had leased some time ago. Operations are to begin in September. A special vacuum bottle will be manufactured in which fruit can be named just like the process of keeping drink hot or cold in thermos bottles.

There is always room for improvement.

We never saw a panhandler who was smokin' a pipe.

Records are broken by men who are so hard pushed they have to break a record in order to win.

Graduates

Many older Westbrook graduates are now sending their sons and daughters.

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RESULTS COUNT

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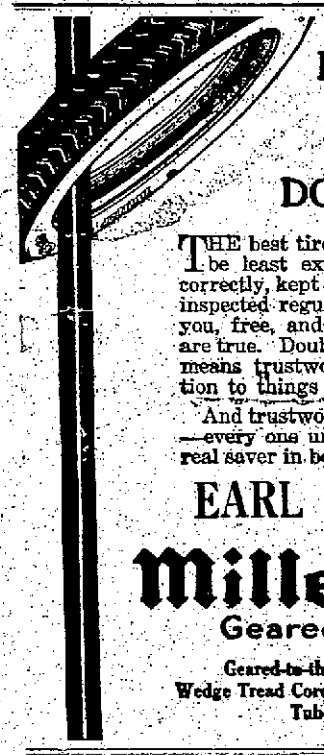
ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

In re estate of Bessie E. Rider, deceased.

Letters testamentary have been duly granted by the Register of Wills upon the estate of Bessie E. Rider late of the township of Norwich, McKean County, Pennsylvania, deceased, and Herman H. Lord, residing in said township, to whom all persons who are indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and all persons having any legan claim against or demand upon said estate shall make same known and present the same without delay.

Herman H. Lord, Executor,
Colegrove, Pa., July 23, 1923



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Millions of dollars are lost annually to the cow-keepers of this country purely on account of the neglect of milk and cream while it is held at the farm. Butter and cheese would be greatly improved if every patron used a cooling tank. As a matter of convenience it is worth while for every farmer to be thus equipped, for it is necessary to have a place to keep the milk and cream, and where a refrigerator can be put into use the housewife will find it very efficient and convenient.

A cooling tank is needed in both winter and summer; in winter to prevent freezing and to retain the cream or milk at a uniform and favorable temperature, while certainly in summer it is needed to prevent extreme souring and the development of undesirable flavors. Cold is a wonderful preservative. We are told that the prehistoric mammoth has been preserved in the ices of the polar region for 50,000 years. When dairy products or perishable foods are kept at a low temperature decomposition is retarded, and with dairy products this means much in the way of better quality and price. A can of cream kept in a good cooling tank is worth a dollar more than the same can kept outside and exposed to the heat of average summer weather. The producer is more interested in this dollar than anyone else. He may not feel that he is losing the dollar simply because he gets the same price for his product, but this is only a temporary condition; the industry is losing the dollar, and he is the most important and biggest part of the industry. As a matter of satisfaction it should be worth while to turn out a good product when it is nearly as easy to do so.

The grading of cream and paying a differential for quality is rapidly coming into general use. In a little while the cream producers will either have to get cooling tanks or suffer a big loss due to profiling second grade cream. The cooling tank is sound, sensible, economical, and demanded by decent and progressive farming methods, and we should all be for anything that has so much merit.

Farmers Now Realizing Importance of Good Sire

These are days of opportunity for breeders of purebred cattle. Farmers in general are realizing the importance of putting first-class purebred sires at the head of their herds. With this good demand for bulls it is poor policy for breeders having young bulls for sale not to give them good care and plenty of the right kind of feed. Improper feeding of the young bull is poor economy.

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FIRE IN ROY DICKERSON'S WHEAT FIELD

Friday about noon the fire siren startled every one with its shrill alarm. Some one shouted, "It's Guy Dickerson's house" and the excited crowd surged in that direction. The fire trucks had to be pushed up the hill and when the people arrived they found it was a false alarm and that the fire was in Roy Dickerson's wheat field.

Then the trucks and about fifty cars headed for East Smethport.

It seems that during the morning a small grass fire had been strated from cinders from the train and had been thoght to have been put out but just as Mr. Dickerson was at dinner he happened to look out and see smoke. The fire spread rapidly in the dry grass and the wheat shocks were soon on fire. About 250 shocks burned. Had it not been for the valiant aid given by the fire fighters it would have developed into a very serious conflagation. The buildings at the Fair Grounds would probably have been burned as well as Orsie Nourse's house and barns.

Mr. Dickerson has put in a claim to the Pennsylvania R. R. for damages.

FIRE DOES BIG DAMAGE AT BOLIVAR.

Bolivar July 26—The building occupied by the William L. Foster Restaurant, in Main street and its contents were destroyed by fire here last night about 9:30 o'clock. The origin of the fire is not known and it is reported that an investigation to determine the cause is underway. The building was partly covered by insurance.

Members of the local and Richburg fire departments fought a hard battle with the flames for several hours before they were fully extinguished and responded to a second alarm at 3 o'clock this morning. The building which was of woooden construction was rapidly consumed by the greedy tongues of fire. Shortly after an alarm had been turned in by Chester Britt who observe the flames in the restaurant the fire was beyond control.

The heavy loss caused by last night's fire has shown the need of a speedy purchase of the new fire truck which carried by popular vote here recently it is reported by local residents.

CHILD BADLY CUT.

Anna Louise the three year old daughter of Mrs. R. A. Woods of Sharpsville, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. Chas. Milroy of this place, fell Monday evening while playing, and struck the kitchen stove, cutting her upper lip so badly, that three stitches were required to close the cut. Dr. Robert Hamilton was called and attended the little patient, who is much improved at present.

LOW WATER DESTROYING FISH IN ALLEGANY RIVER.

Olean, July 30—The Allegany river at this point is at the lowest stage in the memory of old-timers. Residents who have lived near the stream 30 years, and longer, said they have never seen it as low before. A small stream, merely trickling, divides two stretches of stone and sand at present. There are no fish in the stream.

Coudersport, July 30.—The fish in the Allegany river south of town are all either dying or for the most part are already dead, judging from the smell arising in that vicinity. Some believe that poison has been dumped into the stream, while others attribute it to the low water and high temperature. Sports men who come to Potter county to fish will not be pleased to learn if this condition.

PORTVILLE—ELDRED ROAD.

The work of improving the New York state part of the Portville-Eldred road began Thursday morning with the cutting of the ditches and installing the sluices.

The work will consist of draining grading and a cinder top which it is expected will keep in goood condition until it can be permently improved.

The work has been made possible by cooperation between the county highway committee, the town board of Portville and the Olean Automobile Club, the latter organization having raised a fund of $1500 for the purpose.

That piece of road has been in bad shape for a long and the fixing of it will be a pleasure to a great many people who have to drive that way.

AUTOMOBILE IN DITCH SIX PERSONS INJURED

Olean July 26—Two families were cut and bruised early yesterday when a new Oldsmobile touring car owned and driven by F. E. McLaughlin of 115 North twentieth street ran into the ditch near Scotts Corners. Mrs. James Williams, of Buffalo streeet, was the most seriously hurt. She suffered a fractured nose and severe face lacerations. Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin and son, Lawrence, and Mrs. Williams and son, James escaped with minor injuries.

Mr. Laughlin attempted to pass a machine on the Cuba road and when the car failed to turn out for him he drove his car into te ditch, to prevent a collision. The car tore away 25 feet of fence along the road, and just avoided going over a 30-foot embankment. The other machine did not stop. The party was on the way to Mr. McLaughlin's farm for a picnic.

Twenty-seven persons were killed in Sunday automobile accidents this week all at grade crossings. At least that is the number reported to the Era by the Associated Press and it is in this range of possibilities that the total number of crossing fatalities in the country was much larger. The great increase in motor traffic calls for more caution on the part of drivers but the most effective means of preventing grade crossings accidents would be the elimination of these death traps. Era— 30

AUTOMOBILE STRIKES TRUCK MANY ARE HURT TWO MAY DIE

Kane, Pa. July 27.—Between ten and a dozen persons were injured in a collision between a Franklin touring car and a Chevrolet truck, the latter loaded down with women and children, at about 10 o'clock last night at the crossroad one mile south of Marienville which is located in Forest county about 30 miles distant from Kane.

Frank McNeil, aged about 60, retired oil millionaire and Kane's wealthiest citizen, lies at his palatial residence here suffering from concussion of the brain. He may have internal injuries and the attending physicians decline to venture an opinion today as to what the outcome may prove.

At the Kane hspital lies Oscar Moore, prominent clothing merchant of this city who was a passenger with McNeil in the touring car. He is suffering from a compound fracture of the left leg and numerous cut and abrasions.

Also being cared for at the Kane hospital are Mrs. William Hetrick of Red Cliff, Pa., her sons, Ralph, August and Herman, and Conrad Reed who likewise resides at Red Cliff and who is also a boy. Reeds skull is fractured and he is said to be in a precarious condition condition. The Hetrick boy was fortunate enough to escape with nothing more than cuts and bruises, but Mrs Hetrick may lose the sight of one eye.

This accounts for seven victims of the crash but there were between 15 and 20 passengers on the truck and three to five others are known to have been somewhat injured and to have been removed directly to their homes.

There was an old home week celebration and boosters day in Forest county yesterday and the populace had flocked into Marienville in large numbers. Mr. McNeil an Mr. Moore spent the afternoon at Marienville and then motored on to Gilfoyle where after spending the early part of the evening, they started the return trip. They were just in time to plunge into this truck upon reaching the cross roads south of Marienville.

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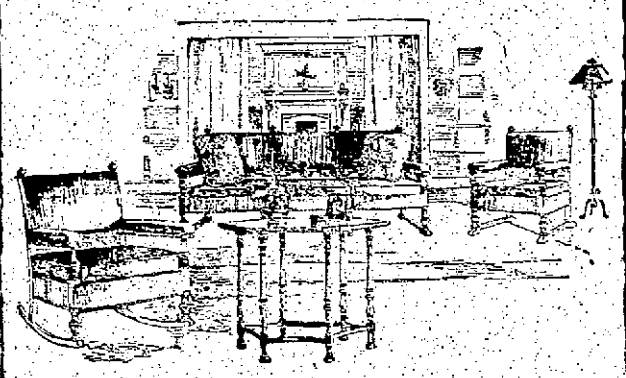

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FOR SHERIFF.

Editor Miner:

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of McKean County subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries, Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

A. B. HENRY,
April 2, 1923 Eldred, Pa.

Editor Miner:

Kindly announce that I am a candidate for the nomination of sheriff of McKean County subject to the decision of the voters of the county at the primaries, on Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

RICHARD T. FOWLER,
April 2, 1923. Kane, Pa.

To the Editor of the Miner:—

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of McKean County subject to the action of the Republican party at the primaries, September 18, 1923.

JOHN H. HOWE,
Bradford, Pa., March 31, 1923.

Editor Miner, Smethport:—

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of McKean County subject to the decision of the Republican party at the primaries, September 18, 1923.

H. G. SOLT,
Chief of Police, Bradford, Pa.

FOR TREASURER.

Editor Miner:

Please announce that I am a candidate for the nomination for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters of McKean County, at the fall primary election to be held on Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

DANIEL M. COOPER,
88 Jefferson St., Bradford, Pa.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the nomination for County Treasurer of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican party at the primaries to be held September 18, 1923.

JOSEPH F. ROBINSON,
March 27, 1923. Smethport, Pa.

Editor Miner:

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the nomination of Commissioner of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries on Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

W. H. HALPENNY,
March 27, 1923. Smethport, Pa.

Homer Chatley of Bradford announces he is a Republican candidate for County Treasurer of McKean county, subject to the action of the Republican voters in the September primaries.

HOMER CHATLEY.
March 19th, 1923.

Editor the Miner:

Kindly announce that I am a candidate for county treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held September 18, 1923.

CHAS. M. CAREY,
April 10, 1923. Kane, Pa.

FOR REGISTER
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The Editor:—

Please announce that I am a candidate for the nomination to the office of Register of Wills & Clerk of the Orphans' Court of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held, September 18, 1923.

JOHN B. EASTMAN,
Smethport, Pa., April 3, 1923.

Editor McKean Miner;

Please announce that I am a candidate for the nomination to the office of Register of Wills and Clerk of the Orphan's Court of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the election to be held September 18, 1923.

C. ROY Engstrom,
Kane, Pa., May 15, 1923.

FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS

Editor Miner:

Kindly announce that I am a candidate for the office of Recorder of Deeds of McKean County, subject to the decision of the Republican voters of the County, at the Fall Primaries to be held September 18th, 1923.

A. R. ANDERSON,
April 16, 1923. Clermont, Pa.

Editor Miner:

Kindl yannounce that I am a candidate for County Commissioner of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries on Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

O. S. GAHAGAN,
July 1, 1923. Mt. Jewett, Pa.

For County Commissioner.

Editor Miner:—

Please announce my name as a candidate for the nomination for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held Tuesday, September 18, 1923.

A. J. BOND
Bradford, Pa., July 16, 1923.

For County Auditor.

Editor Miner:

Kindly announce that I am a candidate for county Auditor, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held September 18, 1923.

A. L. GALLUP,
Smethport, July 16, 1923.

DIVORCE NOTICE.

Frances Waite
vs.
Frank T. Waite

No. 55, June Term, 1923.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

Whereas Frances Waite did on the 9th. day of April, 1923, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the Court of Common Pleas therein set forth that she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Frank T. Waite.

We therefore command you, the said Frank T. Waite, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the twenty-seventh day of August, 1923 next, and show cause, if any you have why the said Frances Waite your wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

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DIVORCE NOTICE.

Leafa Echelberger
vs.
William Echelberger

No. 91, June Term, 1923.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

Whereas Leafa Echelberger did on the 3rd day of May, 1923, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the Court of Common Pleas therein set forth that she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you William Echelberger.

We therefore command you, the said William Echelberger, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the twenty-seventh day of August, 1923 next, and show cause, if any you have why the said Leafa Echelberger, your wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

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DIVORCE NOTICE.

Emma Perkins
vs.
Sprague Perkins.

No. 79, June Term, 1923.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the Sheriff of said County, Greeting:

Whereas Emma Perkins did on the 28th day of April, 1923, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the Court of Common Pleas therein set forth that she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you Sprague Perkins.

We therefore command you, the said Sprague Perkins, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the twenty-seventh day of August, 1923 next, and show cause, if any you have why the said Emma Perkins your wife should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
AUGUST 3 and 4.
NORMA TALMADGE in
THE SIGN ON THE DOOR
This is one of her best.
COMEDY: When Knights were Cold.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7th.
GAIETH HUGHES in
LITTLE EVA ASCENDS,
a humorous story of a regular boy who was tired of being a girl.
PATHE NEWS.

PERSONALS

Charles Fred Young and Thelma Irene Rowley, both of East Smethport, Pa., were united in marriage at the home of the bride, Friday, July 27. The Arthur Gregson officiated.

Lewis E. Ellsworth and Anna M. Ellsworth, both of Bradford, Pa., were united in marriage at the M. E. parsonage, Saturday, July 28. The Rev. Arthur Gregson officiated.

Mrs. George Rockefeller and daughter Harriett are visiting relatives in Philadelphia and Wildwood New Jersey for a few weeeks.

Howard Spiker and daughter, Emma of Glendora California arrived Sunday to make an extended visit with friends and relatives of Farmers Valley and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Denno Scheibner and children of Roulette and Mrs. Bert Cook of Coudersport spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hackett.

Benj. P. Oviatt, John Pogson and Company were Bradford visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mitchell of Erie were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Mitchell the last of the week.

Mrs. C. W. Shattuck entertained the Auction Bridge Club Wednesday evening at her home in West Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sheridan and daughter Elizabeth of Cambridge Springs were the guests of the former's aunt, Mrs. S. W. Hubbard the last of the week.

The 500 Club is holding a picnic this (Thursday) P. M. at Galco Park.

Mrs. Hugo Carlson and three children of Chicago, were guests of A. Engstrom and family, Friday.

Wm. Baker entertained a number of young friends Tuesday evening at a dancing party at Dr. H. L. McCoys.

W. S. Palmer returned Sunday from Frontenac Thousand Islands, where he was the guest of O. J. Hamlin and family.

Mrs. Thos. Morrison motored to Cambridge Springs Saturday. On her return her sister Mrs. Burns accompanied her and will remain for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Botsford returned Tuesday from Nordmont, where they attended the funeral of the latters mother, Mrs. Cox.

Alfred Kleisath and Jas. Quirk returned Saturday from Buffalo.

Mrs. Fred Hallstrom entertained the J. H. Club Tuesday.

Mr. M. Cody of Bradford is a business visitor here.

Helen and Mildred Quirk of Akron O. are guests of Mr. and Mrs Jas. Quirk.

D. L. Denning of Eldred was in town Monday.

Misses Emma and Bessie Tretton returned Saturday from a visit in Buffalo.

C. D. Tilton was a business visitor in Ceres Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Bosworth entertained at Digel Hollow Friday evening.

Carrie A. Day left today (Thurs) for a visit at Spy Lake and Syracuse.

Mrs. C. B. Corwin is visiting friends in Rochester, N. Y.

Anna McGowan of New Haven Conn. is guest of her sister Mrs. Ralph Herzog.

Mrs. Foster Studholme and daughters Ruth and Louise of Olean are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Weaver of Bradford spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno Saulpaugh and daughter Carolyn and Mrs. Paul Hillary were Bradford visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McCarthy Mary McCarthy and Sylvia Arken spent Sunday in Johnsonburg.

Ralph O'Connor of Meadville, Pa., spent Sunday with his parents

Mr. Sam Cox was called to Nordmont Pa., the last of the week on account of the death of his mother.

Mrs. Thos. Clark is guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Clark of Clarion, Pa.

Thos McDermott Jr. spent Sunday in Westline.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hopper were in Olean Saturday.

Misses Mildred Johnson, Anna and Ellen Hallstrom were Bradford shoppers, Thursday

Miss Alice Irons, Ellen and Helen Anderson motored to Olean Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Terry and Mrs. Ella Hoffman motored to Olean Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Burdick and daughter of Detroit are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burdick.

Carrie A. Day was a Bradford visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Potter and Guerdon, Mrs. J. J. Allison and son Pierre attended the circus in Kane Friday

Mrs. Jane Young and Miss Edith Young were Olean visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson and daughter, Katheryn and Bernice are guest of relatives in Ridgway.

Leona Keesler returned Monday from a visit in Custer City.

Mrs. Jno. Ottoson entertained the Dorcas Society at her home Wednesday afternoon.

Jack Barbour returned to Buffalo Wednesday after an extended visit with Billie Hunsiville.

C. W. Catlin of Pt. Allegany was a business visitor in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Day, Mrs. M. M. Day and Mabel Day left Wednesday for a visit in Dayton N. Y.

C. L. Irons and daughter Alice Irons motored to Olean Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon, Mrs. F. Anderson and children were Olean visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Jessie Knight was a Bradford visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson and family attended the Thorn Reunion at Pt. Allegany Saturday.

The Young People's Society of the Swedish Mission Church held a weiner roast at the Norman Farm Tursday evening.

Monday August 6th the Redfield Publishing Co. closes for two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Harvey Taylor and children of Bradford are guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Miller.

The Choir of the Swedish Mission Church attended the district meeting at Kane Sunday.

Mrs. Nels Peterson of Mt. Jewett is a guest of relatives ere.

Mrs. Arthur Rice and daughter Vivian were called to Olean Friday July 27 on account of the death of Mrs. Rice's Uncle, Mr. Willover.

Mr. and Mrs. August Tanner and family Mr. G. C. Douglas and family Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorton and Mrs Leigh Smith motored to Chautauqua Lake Sunday.

Miss Marie Smith returned Wednesday from a visit in Duke Center.

Mrs Henry Otto who has been seriously ill for the past week is reprted to be improving.

Miss Elizabet Hitchcock, Miss Anna McGowan and Mr. J. I. Hatchkiss of New Haven Conn. are the guests of Mrs. Ralph Herzog of W. Main street.

Mr. B. P. Oviatt has purchased a new five passenger Durant sport model car of Saulspaugh's Garage.

Jno Lindholm and daughters, Carrie and Alva and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lindholm motored to Bradford Sunday, where Mrs. Edwin Lindholm took the train for Buffalo where she will visit for a short time.

Louis Heath left Sunday for Buffalo where she will visit relatives.

Rev. P. E. Nordgren of Lowell Massachusetts, former pastor of the Swedish Lutheran Church, occupied his old pulpit Sunday.

Octavia Raymer who has been on the sick list is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gifford and four sons of Chicago, are the guests of relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bouton, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Quirk, the misses Theo and Edna Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Schmidt left Sunday for the Bouton cottage on Chautauqua Lake where they will camp for a week or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Green of Buffalo arrived Monday to visit the latters parents Mr. and Mrs. Sam Green.

The Swedish Lutheran Sunday will hold its annual picnic Sunday August 5th at Galco Park.

Rev. and Mrs. P. E. Nordgren of Lowell Massachusetts are visiting relatives in Ormsby.

Mr. Arthur Hovis motored to Oil City Friday. Mrs. Hovis and daughter, Leota who have been visiting in that place returned home with him Sunday.

AN ERROR

BOYS

K. & E.

Wash Suits

advertised last week at the regular selling price of $2.50 and $3.00, should have been quoted at

$1.98

It is the price which will also prevail this week.

All who bought these Wash Suits at the regular price in this store, last week are entitled to a refund for the difference. Please call and get your

MONEY BACK.

Wm. Monheimer

Miss Alma Fields spent the week-end at Hazelhurst.

Miss Ruth Moore of Coleville spent Saturday here.

Misses Eva Ripley and Margaret Fry motored to Pt. Allegany Sunday evening.

Mr. Thomas Clark left Thursday for Clarion.

Mr. Earl Daly of Kane was in Smethport Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Hyatt, Miss Lucy Moore, and Mr. Albert Johnson motored to Olean Sunday.

Mr. Jno. Pogson was in Bradford Saturday.

Miss Aletha Jones returned form Pt. Allegany Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gregory and family returned Monday from Buffalo, where they have been spending two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Hector motored to Jamestown Sunday and spent the day with their daughter Mrs. George Elias.

Misses Mary and Bertha Kleisath will leave Saturday for New York City where they will spend two weeks.

Miss Mary Hartson was a Bradford visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ottis and family of Erie are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cramsey.

Mrs. Harriet Mulvihill spent the week end in Johnsonburg.

The square deal is what you get in Monheimer's Store. Read of the offer he is making in its advertisement on this page.

Miss Helen Moore of Coleville who has been the guest of her sister Lucy of this place, returned to her home Friday.

Miss Betty Brown who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Emily Mayo returned to her home Sunday evening.

Miss Harriett Brownell accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brownell to New Brunswick Heights, N. J., Saturday where she will spend the remainder of the summer.

Mr. Charles Dickinson of East Smethport has recently purchased the Magner farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Macolm have returned from a week's stay in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Fry and daughter Helen left Sunday for a two weeks' sojourn at Chautauqua Lake They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Douchamp of Clarksburg, W. Virginia, who will be their guests.

Miss Grace Olmstead of W. Main St. entertained, Mr. Henry Baker, Miss Pansy Netsbeth, Mr. Edward Baker, Miss Gladys Reed of Erie over the week-end.

Dr. W. A. Ostrander's residence on Green street is being painted.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Ottoson of Philadelphia are the guests of the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ottoson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Williams of Sharon Pa., are guests of Mrs. Williams parents, Rev. S. A. Renicks.

Miss Martha Colegrove is spending some time in Buffalo with her mother who is a patient in the General hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Johnson had for Sunday guests; Mrs. Harry Krone and children of Jamestown, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnson and children of Cuba, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shaner and little daughter of Bolivar N. Y., Miss Helen Cooper of Obi, N. Y., Mrs. Corie Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kinney and son of Shinglehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Westlake and son Frederick of Redford Michigan and John Milroy of Randolph N. Y. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Milroy last week.

Benj. P. Oviatt and sister Mrs. Ruth Conner, and mother Mrs. Victoria Oviatt, were Olean and Buffalo visitors last Saturday. Mrs. David Murry and daughter Margaret returned with them Sunday and will be a guest of her mother, Mrs. Victoria Oviatt at Farmers Valley for a week.

Raymond Larson who has been employed in Kane for the past month returned home Sunday.

Lawrence Dickerson, Anthony Ross, George Bellamy and John Pogson attended Spark's Circus in Kane Friday.

Miss Della Heilman was a Bradford shopper, Monday.

Mrs. T. W. Smith of Dubois, who has been visiting Mrs. E. E. Drake for the past week returned to her home Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Smith and daughter Mrs. C. L. Wilson and Helen spent the week end at Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

Mrs. Jane Young and Miss Edith Young, will leave for Manituck, L. I., Saturday night to visit Mrs. Young's daughter Mrs. J. Sears. They expect to remain two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver of Bradford called on Mrs. D. C. Young Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm Weeks of Buffalo, N. Y., are expected Saturday to spend the week-end with Mrs. Week's parents Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Keenam.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Day drove to East Dayton, N. Y. Wednesday to attend the Day Reunion.

Misses Elverda and Beatrice Richardson were Olean visitors Saturday.

Mr. V. D. Munn and Mrs. Timlin of Johnsonburg, and daughter Laura of Smethport motored here Friday.

Mr. Fred Heinlein was an Olean business visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Robinson of Kane spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Heinlein.

Mrs. Clement Alderfer of Port Allegany is visiting her mother, Mrs. Emily Mayo of West Main St.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ward L. Reynolds July 26, a son.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Strain of Devil's Elbow, on July 28.

Miss Eulalia Scott and Mrs. J. S. Maffett of Kushequa motored here Thursday evening and were guests at the former's home.

Gerald Denning and Leland Halpenny returned Thursday from Fort Monroe.

Mr. Harry Ripley left Sunday for Olean where he has accepted a position in the car shops.

Miss Irene Gabriel and Miss Eva Ripley motored to Kane Friday and attended Spark's Circus.

Mrs. W. A. Ostrander and daughter Lucille, Mrs. F. J. Green and daughter Muriel of Shinglehouse will leave Saturday for a western motor trip which will include Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

Miss Lucy Whalen was dismissed Sunday from the Mountain Clinic hospital in Olean.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Amster and daughter Mrs. Mary Wilson of Olean were in town Sunday.

Miss Irene Gabriel and Miss Carrie McGowan were Olean shoppers Wednesday.

Rev. W. E. VanDyke is erecting a garage behind his home on Fulton street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Holmes and and daughter Mrs. H. S. Rublin attended Spark's circus, Friday.

Mrs. E. A. Loef and Mrs. Monroe of Eldred and Mrs. Lulu McDonald of Grand Rapids, Mich., motored here Tuesday and were the guests of Mrs. H. B. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gallup and family motored to Salamanca Sunday.

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Smethport, Pa.

—Report of the Condition of the—
GRANGE NATIONAL BANK OF McKEAN COUNTY
SMETHPORT, PA.
at the Close of Business June 30,1923.

(Condensed)

Resources.

Loans and Discounts	571,115.83
U. S. Bonds to Secure Circulation	100,000.00
Other Bonds and Securities	149,698.75
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
Banking House Furniture and Fixtures	31,000.00
Over Drafts	273.09
Cash and Due from Banks	68,608.78
Due from U. S. Treasurer, Redemption Fund	5,000.00
Interest Earned but not Collected	7,958.00
	938,154.45

Liabilities.

Capital	100,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Reserve for Depreciation	600
Undivided Profits	11,506.10
Circulation Outstanding	98,447.50
Dividends Unpaid	6.00
Certified Checks Outstanding	218.35
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	1,597.30
Bills Payable	40,000.00
Rediscounts	10,000.00
Deposits	622,434.47
	938,154.45

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I CAN SAVE YOU MONEY!

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FOR SALE—Baby carriage and stroller. Call phone 115R adv30tf.

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FOR SALE—Four passenger Cadillac, just like new, J. J. Mooney Olean, N. Y., adv22tf

LOST—Tuesday, July 24, 1923, A brown Alligator leather pocket book with Silver Clasp, monogram on clasp, Sum of money etc. inside. Please return to Mrs. D. C. Young and receive reward. Valued as gift from my husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Burdick and daughter June, motored from Detroit Mich., Friday, and are the guests of the former's brother Mr. W. I. Burdick.

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Steady work. Cheap houses. 15 more men can be employed steadily at our newly rebuilt factory at Kushequa, Pa. Wages inside 45 cents per hour for 10 hour day. Yardmen 46 cents. Pitmen 47 cents. Work for a few hearty women. Also premiums when earned. Houses being refitted to rent at $8 per month. Natural gas and finest pure water. Good schools. No strikes. Apply to Kushequa Brick Co., Kushequa, Pa. adv30-3

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To close an Estate, the residence of the late Thos McDowell, at Port Allegany, Pa. House is fully furnished, recently painted and shingled. Located in center of town on Main street. Large Garage, good garden, ample varandas and lawn. Enquire of W. J. Barrho, Cashier, First National Bank, Port Allegany, Pa. adv28-4t

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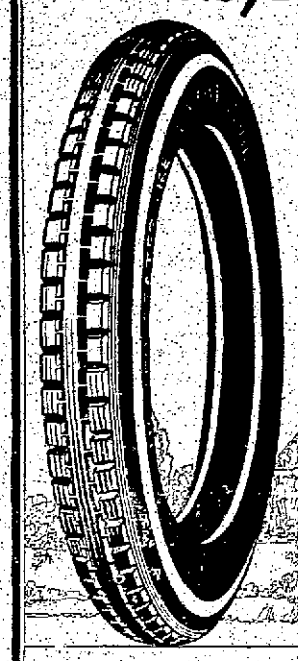

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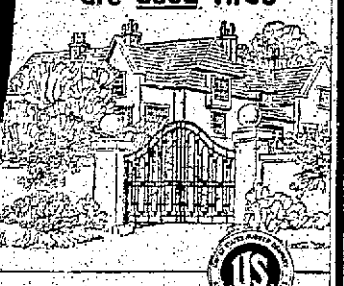

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Main Street, Smethport, Pa.

COLEGROVE

Col. F. H. Wilson is spending a few days in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carlson motored to Oil City Friday.

Miss Hazzel Brown of Betula spent a few days of this week visiting Leola Anderson.

Miss Gladys Kinney spent the week end at her home in Keystone.

Mrs. A. G. McAllister and son, Robert, motored to Port Allegany Sunday.

L. E. Scanlan and son Lawrence were Buffalo visitors last Friday.

Mrs. C. A. Anderson and daughter Rena, were Buffalo visitors several days this week.

Wm. Bouch of Shippensville, Pa. was visiting friends in Colegrove Sunday.

Earl Rupert and Edwin Stranburg who have been working at the Simpson Pump Station in Mercer County are home for several weeks.

Mr. Albert Peterson and family of Erie are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Peterson.

CROSBY

Mr. and Mrs. John Berg spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matteson at Silver Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Timmerman have returned to their home in Gary, Ind., after spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Susan Parson.

Miss Grace Lindholm has returned from an extended visit in Erie.

Miss Dorothy Johnson of Smethport is spending a few days with relatives of this place.

Mrs. John Natello and son Dick of Buffalo are spending Sunday with relatives here.

Miss Frances Hendrickson and Miss Edna Bloomster were Smethport shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Benson spent the week-end with relatives in Olean.

Mrs. Martha Berg and children of Buffalo are spending a few days with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stoddard of Hazelhurst were visiting relatives here Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bloomster and family motored to Smethport Saturday evening.

Mrs. Henry Lester of New York City is spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Nels Berg.

Miss Gladys Hogstead of Colegrove visited friends here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dillen, and Mrs. Geo. Smith and daughter Leona were motoring Sunday.

Mr. Joe Tronetti and sister Etta, of Port Allegany were visiting friends here Sunday.

Walter Corwin spent Sunday with relatives in Shinglehouse.

Mr. Gordon Coleman of Burbanks was seen on our streets Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bloomster and children Gilbert, Erma and Raymond and Mrs. Hannah Bloomster and Mrs. Thos Jarrett were visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Hilman of Clermont Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Matteson and daughter Lurlie and Miss Myrtle Matteson were motoring Sunday.

Mr. Leonard Lathrope and Mr. Thaddeus Corbett were Betula callers Sunday evening.

FARMERS VALLEY NEWS.

Sunday seemed to be a bad day for autoes as there were three from this place had to be towed in.

H. C. Smith is able to be at work again.

Mrs. F. G. Kilpatrick called on friends at Bradford Saturday.

The Ladies Aid met at Mrs. Digels this week. All enjoyed a fine dinner.

We have been having some fine rains, it looks as tho our water supply will increase.

Walter Bean called on B. S. Smart Monday of this week.

H. P. McGill and B. S. Sworts have finished their haying. Edd. McGill of Turtle Point has been helping them.

Mrs. Henry Otto is slowly improving.

Bert Oviatt and family visited friends at Crosby.

H. D. Marsh has purchased an upright piano.

Mrs. E. E. Post of Oberlin called on Mrs. H. P. McGill and Mrs. D. W. Derby Friday.

Harry Grover, Mr. and Mrs. Baker of Bradford called and got his mother Sunday and motored over to his sisters Mrs. Ella Linsley at Grimes Settlement.

Mr. Peat Bennett of Bradford spent Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Kilpatrick's and Mrs. D. W. Derby's.

Mrs. B. Oviatt and Mrs. B. S. Sworts went motoring Tuesday.

H. D. Marsh had callers from Emporium Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Marsh and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Marsh motored to Coridon Sunday.

B. P. Oviatt purchased a new Durant "sport model" turing car from the Ideal garage at Smethport Saturday.

VICINITY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Love and children and Mr. and Mrs. Miller Stickles motored to Niagara Falls Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Hyde and children, and N. W. Hyde, W. C. Hyde and Mrs. Vird Dennis motored to Kinzua bridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holcomb were Sunday guests at O. D. Nourse's

Audrey Hyde and Noel Evans were in Salamanca Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Schoonmaker of Olean spent Sunday here.

Don Nelson of Wrights, called on friends here Sunday.

Ralph O'Connor of Meadville, spent the week-end with his parents.

Paul Schoolmaker, of Olean spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Nourse were business visitor in Eldred Friday.

Mrs. A. G. Abbey is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C Douglass, Mr. and Mrs. John Peeler and son Jack, Thomas Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. August Tanner and children, Marie Tanner and Lloyd Thornton motored to Chautauqua Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Burdick and family of Detroit, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wyant of Wellsville spent Sunday at F. A. Burdicks.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Douglas will leave Wednesday for a two weeks visit in Cameron County.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Green and Ed Reeves motored to Niagara Falls Saturday.

A "CHARACTER READER" can't tell you anything you don't know about yourself

LEGAL NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Sergeant, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, will offer at public sale to the highest bidder or bidders, at one o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, August 9th, 1923 at the School House in the village of Clermont, said Township of Sergeant, thirteen bonds of the said Township of Sergeant, of the denomination of $500.00 each in all of the value of $6500.00. Each Bond to bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Said Bonds to be numbered consecutively from one to thirteen, inclusive, and to be known as Sergeant Township Bonds, Series "A", 1923. Each Bond to bear date of the first day of August, 1923; the first to be due August 1st, 1924; the second, August 1st, 1925; the third, August 1st, 1926; the fourth, August 1st, 1927, the fifth August 1st, 1928; the sixth August 1st, 1929; the seventh August 1st, 1930; the eighth, August 1, 1931; the ninth, August 1st, 1932; the tenth, August 1st, 1933; the eleventh, August 1st, 1934; the twelfth, August 1st, 1935 and the thirteenth, August, 1st, 1936. Any or all bonds to be redeemable on and after August 1st, 1928. No Bond to be sold at less than its par value. The right to reject any or all bids is expressly reserved. This advertisement is made in accordance with the provision of the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the 6th day of July, 1917, P. L. 747.

TOWNSHIP OF SERGEANT.
By Martin Amend, Presiedat.
Attest:
John F. Keating, Secretary.
AdvJuly19,26,Aug2.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By VIRTUE of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Penna., and to me directed, I will expose at Public Sale to the highest bidder on the premises of the Defendant Company in the Boro of Port Allegany, McKean County, Pennsylvania, the folowing described property, on

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10th, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The defendant's interest in all that piece, parcel and tract of land situate in the Boro of Port Allegany, Count of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

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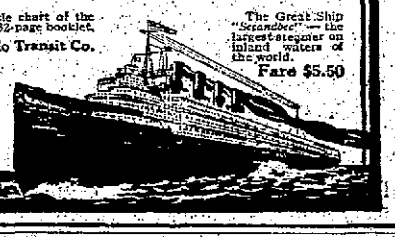

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CHAPTER II

When the knock of destiny sounded at his door, Jack Fortier was discharging his typist.

"It's no use, Miss Smith—have to tell you the truth!" he said cheerfully. "Six months without a paying client has busted me. I'll have to take down my shingle and get a job in somebody's office."

The typist took the proffered check, with some embarrassment. She liked this husky young lawyer from the back districts. She was sorry to see him acknowledge failure.

"Perhaps," she faltered, "perhaps a week or so—I could do without—"

"Bless your soul!" exclaimed Fortier heartily. "Nothing doing that way, my dear girl! I wouldn't have it. I thank you, in any case; I appreciate your offer—"

At this instant came the rap at the door of the inner office. Both Fortier and Miss Smith started.

"No chance! It's somebody with a bill I'd forgotten. But you might see who—"

Miss Smith opened the door.

"Is Mr. Fortier here?" inquired a voice. "There was no one in the outer office—"

"Come right in, please," said the typist. "Very well, Mr. Fortier. I'll get out those letters immediately." The glance she flung Fortier was roguish. She disappeared.

Fortier held a chair for his visitor. He felt helpless, disconcerted before this vision. Perhaps she, on her part, felt a bit disconcerted over the youthful appearance of the lawyer. He was rather square of feature—those odd angles of a new generation in the city, a generation not worn down into the mold of effete life and form.

"I am at your service, madame," he said formally, and dropped into his swinging chair.

"You are not the Mr. Fortier I expected to see," she said quietly. "They told me at the bank that you were an elderly man."

Fortier glanced at her. Perhaps a slight compression of the lips showed his inner disappointment. He rose.

"The error has happened many times, madame," he said. "The other Fortier has offices on the floor above this. May I conduct you?"

"No," she said, leaning back in her chair. "No. Sit down, please. I—I must think a moment. I believe that I could trust you."

Jack Fortier sat down again. He was tremendously astonished, even agitated—that last sentence of her speech had held a remarkable simplicity. He perceived that he was dealing with no ordinary person; no woman who concealed her thoughts deftly. This girl was very frank. The gray eyes which she had bent upon him were startling in their clarity. It seemed to him that she must be reading into his heart.

"Excuse me," he said, "but—but I cannot take advantage of a mistake—"

"Please be quiet a moment," she said calmly. "It is I who am taking advantage of it."

Fortier leaned back in his chair and endured her scrutiny.

He gave her look for look—who could help it? And it speaks well for him that, under his steady regard, the girl felt no twinge of evil. Women feel such things strongly from the eyes of men.

Fortier knew that his own strong-willed aloofness was reeling under the very shock of her presence. He had never seen another such person in New Orleans. A girl indeed, yet matured beyond her years by southland suns, frail and delicate as finest steel, a fair flower crowned by waves of brownish hair and lighted by eyes of golden gray.

It was, for Jack Fortier, a moment of destiny. With her presence, he became aware that a sudden peace and sweetness had descended upon this office of his, this bare room. You have seen the Chinese magnolia, that slender tree, and you know how it perfumes a whole garden with the richest, most rare and subtle of all scents! So Aline Lavergne sat here, and from her exquisite spirit came a poised richness into all his world.

So strong was her personality, that, silent, she still dominated. Even then, in this first moment, Fortier sensed how she was going to startle and confound him, and leave him aching with the hurt of loving her; and not him alone, but all who came into contact with the calm peace of her level eyes.

"I should like to know," her voice wakened him, "who you are and where you come from, Mr. Fortier. I am very uncertain whom I can safely trust. You will pardon me—"

Fortier's air made this seem quite the usual thing from client to attorney.

"It is simply told," he said, smiling a little. "I have done my reading in the back country—in the office of Judge Salzon, in St. Landry parish. Six months ago I was admitted to the bar and came to New Orleans. I have been here six months. I know nobody. I have not had a client except in a few charity cases. I have had little experience. If you need a very capable attorney, I should suggest that you see the other Fortier—"

"That's enough," she said, and smiled suddenly. "I need an honest man before I need an attorney—and you are one, Mr. Fortier. My need is for advice and help, not for legal trickery."

Fortier inclined his head gravely. "I am at your service, madame."

He could never afterward think of this first meeting with Aline Lavergne and not fuse into an extravagance of ideas. She was so perfectly poised that one thought her a woman of the world, yet she was pure of the world, aloof from it. Aline was no untutored ninny, no ignorant slip who thought that children were left in the cabbage patch. Yet Fortier understood that she had been all her life in a retired corner of the state, down on the Gulf coast. About the girl was something untouched and indefinitely sweet—a quiet force of character. Later, perhaps, you will more clearly understand what is so difficult to reach with words.

She told him of herself and of her family. This was why she had been afraid. David Macarty was concerned in many lines of business; was in touch with many men; she had been in fear lest her present errand become known to him. She told Fortier about Cypremort Island, the greater part of which was her property, and about Philbrick, her overseer.

"I have just learned, through an accident," she went on, "that instead of being wealthy I am poor—and shall probably be poorer. I am convinced that my uncle and my cousin are in some way trying to keep me under their control, trying to impoverish me. I have no proofs of this. They are very kind and ostensibly my best friends. But they hate Philbrick, who dislikes them in turn. The antagonism has always been open there."

Fortier nodded, astonished by her perfect poise. Somehow, too, it heartened him—made him see most clearly that this girl had nothing to fear. There are some people to whom no evil can come from within. There are still fewer to whom no evil can penetrate from without—whose hearts are absolutely immune to the touch or circumstance of evil's corroding finger.

Of this latter class was Aline. The sheer wonder of her held Fortier silent, awed. Two or three times in a life, perhaps, one encounters such a person, and one is liable to the thought that they are too good for this world, moving through life like beings set apart from its realities. This is wrong. In such a person the humanity may be hard to awaken. Once aroused, it comes into bloom very powerfully, a sweet and marvelous thing.

"I received a letter today from Philbrick," she went on. "You must understand him. Here is an inclosure from his letter—he wrote this."

Fortier took the paper she handed him. He was much amazed at the lines of verse. The girl had etched Philbrick swiftly as an old man, a heavy drinker. This dissolute old overseer was then a poet! The remarkable thing was the very ecstasy of youth which breathed in the lines; not their perfection, but their spirit. Few men retain that first springing exultation of youthful fire; few men in later life but regret in vain the fled divinity.

"He is a wonderful man," affirmed Aline, "when he is understood. That, I believe, applies to most people."

"It does," assented Fortier slowly. "Only—we seldom find other people worth our understanding. That is the trouble with many of us."

"Now you must read his letter." The girl laid another paper on Fortier's desk. "It will amaze you—particularly the last paragraph. It will also help you to understand things better. Unfortunately, I don't understand them all myself."

Here is as much of Philbrick's letter as is important—a letter written by an old drunken overseer of sixty:

"Dear Magnolia Flower: The Gulf is blue and sparkling, but the land is dark and somber. Only good seems to blow in from the sea, only evil comes from the bayous—a miasmatic mist of passions.

"Much peddling of liquor hereabouts. No honest corn juice, but heathenish abomination. That saffron fiend, Ah Lee, gives the hands rice wine. I have ordered him off the place; he understands I will shoot on sight. I do not like Asia, anyway. Then there is a new man here, came the day after you left, with a wonderful little schooner, A Captain Wrexham. He has brought some good whisky. A queer devil spewed out of some far corner of the world. He tells wonderful stories. He saw the photographs on the mantel, and I think he has fallen in love with you.

"I am horribly afraid—of what, I know not. I am afraid by day and night. Your cousin Felix sits all day fishing just off our dock, and watches. His father's dam is going up daily behind. We must install new pumps at once, but there is not quite enough money.

"I think that devil Ah Lee has tried to kill me. Two nights ago I got a big black buck in my room. He weighed two hundred. He was putting a white powder into my whisky decanter when I dropped him. I have great regrets for the whisky. The black was a stranger—probably an outlaw. Don't worry, however.

"Yours, in love,
"JOHN PHILBRICK."

Jack Fortier studied this astonishing letter. Behind it, his mind sensed a

Jack Fortier Studied This Astonishing Letter.

looming pattern of dark purposes and evil men. He fancied that this overseer must, despite his admitted terror, contain some great qualities of soul.

As he read that letter again, he sensed something more in it, some stratum of conflicting forces which he did not understand. He perceived that Philbrick was no fool. Why this mention of the unknown Captain Wrexham, and the Chinaman? And what silent fight was waging between Philbrick and Felix Macarty?

"If I'm going into this," said Fortier slowly, "I must understand everything. First, this Ah Lee. Why does Philbrick write to you about him?"

"Because Ah Lee is a friend of mine," said the girl simply. "You see, Philbrick is very opinionated and stubborn. He knows or suspects that Ah Lee makes liquor and sells it to the negroes. Perhaps; I don't know. I have often met Ah Lee, however, and talked with him. He is interesting, a gentleman, an educated man. He is odd and wise. But Philbrick thinks he is dangerous—treats me as though I were a child, bless his honest heart!"

She smiled as she said this.

"Very well," said Fortier. "Then, about Felix Macarty. Would your overseer dare say—"

"Listen, please!" Aline spoke earnestly, swiftly. "Philbrick has been with us for many years. He is almost a member of the family, you see? He has always disliked the Macartys, and they him. But we never discuss the matter at home. You must not consider Philbrick as a servant, but as a very dear friend whom I would trust with my life."

Fortier assented. "This final paragraph—do you believe your Chinese friend tried to murder Philbrick?"

A cloud troubled her clear eyes.

"No. No—that is impossible, incredible! Philbrick doubtless believes it, but I cannot. There must be some other explanation which we don't know."

"Very well. Now, Miss Lavergne, this mention of a dam and pumps—"

"Oh, that is the important thing!" cried the girl swiftly. "You see," we've been in the city for a week or more, and shan't return for another week. Uncle David has been getting his franchise from Baton Rouge—"

The lips of Fortier twitched. "Not so fast, please! What franchise?"

She laughed at her own impetuosity, although the shadow lingered in her clear eyes.

"It gives Uncle David the right to dam the bayou behind the island, in order to form some kind of electric power. Now, something I overheard my uncle say in the hotel yesterday gave me the—the idea that this will hurt our plantation and that he doesn't care. An arm of the bayou overflows our rice fields; they must have a lot of water, you see. If he dams the bayou—"

"He wouldn't be allowed to cut off your water," put in Fortier.

"We can't stop it," she said. "I remember now that Philbrick has hinted to me about it. Perhaps he was trying to keep me from suspecting the truth—oh, I feel so helpless! But we shall have to put in pumps and machinery. I have always thought that we were quite rich—and I realize now, after I have been to the bank, that we are not.

"You see," she added naïvely, "I have never bothered with business. I have just been a silly, useless spender of money. Now, I hope, I have wakened to something better! And I do know that just before he died, my father made some rice contracts. Philbrick has not said much about it, so today I got some information at the bank. They said they could not advise me, and sent me to you—or to the other Mr. Fortier. They gave me an outline of the contracts—I have it here."

Jack Fortier frowned.

"Miss Lavergne," he said, "I am interested in this matter. None the less, I hesitate to step in. If the bank sent you to Mr. Fortier, it was because they knew him to be well versed in certain kinds of law. For your own sake—"

"For my own sake," and the girl flashed him a smile, "I ask not skill, but honesty. Uncle David's hands reach very far, I assure you! If he were to discover that I have retained a lawyer, he would probably try to buy you off or else—"

"By all means, come into the open and let him discover it, then!" said Fortier. "Now about these rice contracts—did the bank give you any notes on them? Do you know who holds the contracts?"

"I don't know. Yes, here is a memorandum which the bank furnished me—rather reluctantly, I must say; perhaps it will help you. Now, Mr. Fortier, I must be gone—I do not want my uncle to suspect anything. That is, until I am certain of my own suspicions. Here is a check for five hundred dollars—no, I insist! And I may stop in tomorrow and clear up whatever I have forgotten or overlooked today."

Fortier tapped the check in his fingers, frowning slightly.

"Let us say the day after tomorrow, Miss Lavergne—at any hour. I must run up to Baton Rouge tonight. The member from Opelousas is a very good friend of mine, and he can furnish me some information regarding your uncle. Also, that franchise."

"Very well. And thank you!"

Fortier bowed over her hand gravely. There was in him a touch of rural courtesy which is too often lacking in city life.

"Thank you, Miss Lavergne! The opportunity to be of service to you is, I assure you, its own best reward. And I trust that when you return I may have some news for you."

Aline Lavergne departed.

A little later, the typist tapped on the door of the private office, and entered. She found Fortier sitting in his chair, looking from the window, lost in abstraction. A smile touched her lips.

"Is there anything further today, Mr. Fortier?"

He glanced up, and flashed her a responsive smile.

"No, Miss Smith. I am glad to say, that the office will remain open for a while yet."

"Oh, I am glad, too—for your sake," she answered.

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